Graduate School of Social Work

The Graduate School of Social Work (GSSW) at the University of Denver is internationally recognized as a leader in educating practitioners, scholars, educators and researchers. GSSW's vision aims for the achievement of thriving sustainable communities, actualized human potential, and embodiment of equity across all communities. GSSW's mission promotes social justice by advancing scholarship, education, and community engagement that leads, connects, mobilizes, and transforms. This mission is carried out in a rich educational environment featuring excellent teaching by award-winning faculty and path-breaking research.

The Master of Social Work (MSW) program is ranked in the top seven percent of all accredited MSW programs in the country by the U.S. News and World Report. GSSW offers four program locations to fit diverse learning needs. Although course options differ between locations, all MSW programs provide small class sizes, field internships and an individualized learning experience. MSW program locations span across Colorado and beyond:

- Denver Campus MSW Program – four unique certificates and international courses
- MSW@Denver - Online MSW Program – course work is 100% online
- Four Corners MSW Program (located in Durango, Colorado) - focus on rural and tribal communities
- Western Colorado MSW Program (located in Glenwood Springs, Colorado) - focus on rural social work practice, integrated health and sustainability

Throughout the MSW program, students gain fundamental skills to make a significant impact on individuals, communities, systems and policy.

GSSW’s Denver-based Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work was one of the first in the United States. During the program, students work alongside distinguished faculty to conduct research, write publications and gain substantive knowledge in the field of social work.